

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of
Laurent FERENCZI et al.
Serial No. (unknown)
Filed herewith
INSTALLATION FOR MONITORING
GAS CYLINDERS

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Prior to calculation of the filing fee, please substitute page 27 as originally filed with pages 27 and 27a as filed in the Article 34 amendment of June 19, 1999. Pages 27 and 27a are attached hereto and marked "AMENDED PAGE".

Please also amend the specification and claims as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Page 3, between lines 26 and 27, add the following paragraphs:

--The document EP-A-660027 (Siraja) describes an automated carousel for filling gas cylinders, which is furnished with weighing facilities revolving with the carousel, and each equipped with a receiver, able, when passing in front of an emitter, to receive a signal for identifying the associated cylinder identified by a barcode reader situated along the conveyor for transporting the cylinders to the

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